Early Childhood Education

Gordon Cooper Technology Center offers full-time career pathways to high school juniors, seniors and adults. A student is eligible to receive college credit for most full-time career majors. High School students are eligible to receive math credit for various career majors. Courses are offered from 8:15 to 11:15 AM and 12:55 to 3:55 PM Monday through Friday. A student can choose to attend either the AM or PM session or both sessions. All students must be assessed before entering a career major.

**Early Care and Education** is designed for students with an interest in caring for and teaching young children. Students apply concepts learned in the classroom as they work with children in the ECE children's center. This provides a balance of theory and practical experience. Students learn theories and techniques to plan and present activities that are developmentally appropriate for the age of the children.

**Career Majors:**
(For financial aid a Career Major must be 600 hours or more.)

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*Out-of-District Tuition is double the amount of In-District Tuition

**Entrance Requirements:** Reading skills at the 10th grade level or above, math skills at the 9th grade level or above.

**Academic Credits:** Elective

**College Credit:** College credit towards an Associate of Applied Science can be earned from Rose State College or St. Gregory’s University.

**Certification Testing:** Child Development Associate credential (CDA)

**Potential Salary Range:** $7.75 - $10.00 an hour entry level. Additional training and experience increases salary/benefits

For financial assistance go to: [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

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Information regarding career majors and gainful employment statistics of our former students can be found under the “About” tab on our school website: www.gctech.edu